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Oregon "Pioneer" Project Fizzles

LONG BEACH, Calif., July 12.—(AP)—The new "Oregon Trail" movement apparently has folded—possibly for keeps.

R. J. Wilson, president of the Long Beach "Pioneers' club," announced that a "back to the land" movement in southern Oregon had been halted and the organization dissolved.

His announcement came after one faction of the club pulled up stakes near Grants Pass, Ore.

Wilson declared—contrary to previous impressions and announcements—that the first caravan of automobiles leaving Long Beach for Oregon moved without his approval.

"The Pioneers' club has disbanded," Wilson said. "There is no more Pioneers' club. This morning I am going to return all the money to the people who contributed to the club."

As for Grants Pass' "lost battalion," Wilson continued:

"I don't know anything about them. They went up there without my approval and I guess they lacked leadership. Why, they couldn't dig a hole under a well and get water.

"I heard they had formed a new club up there. They call it the 'Interstate Co-operative' or something like that, but I have no connection with it whatever."

Hinting that he planned to form a new colonization outfit, Wilson laughed when told that the group in Oregon had disappeared over night.

Tom Parkinson Returns From Kiwanis Convention

Tom Parkinson, proprietor of Parkinson's Food Store, has returned from a trip to Minneapolis and various points in Illinois, where he attended the Kiwanis International coversation and visited friends and relatives.

Mr. Parkinson is lieutenant governor of division No. 11 of the Pacific Northwest Kiwanis district and attended the convention in his official capacity. The meeting, which was attended by more than 6,000 Kiwanians, was particularly interesting and was devoted to the theme: "Citizenship Responsibility the Price of Liberty," Mr. Parkinson reports. Particular emphasis was placed upon the friendly relations between Canada and the United States.

Following the convention, Mr. Parkinson visited with his mother Mrs. Alice Parkinson, at Lewiston, Ill., and was accompanied on the trip home by Miss Mary Sala and Mrs. Florence Chitman, sisters of Mrs. Parkinson, and their friend, Miss Nella McDonald, all residents of Illinois.

Elkton

ELKTON, July 12.—Mr. and Mrs. Wade Henderer, of Medford, have been visiting the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henderer.

D. L. Rule and Joseph Hudson were attending to business matters in Eugene Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Grubbe and family, of Eugene, have been visiting the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Grubbe. Mrs. Reta Peart and daughter, Marvhelle, returned to Eugene with the Grubbes to visit a few days.

Charles Clements, Jr., is spending his vacation at Lakeview.

Miss Evelyn Hudson returned to Ashland Sunday where she is attending summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Haines returned to Seattle Sunday after visiting the homes of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sawyers and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Haines.

Mrs. Thurm Smith and children, Mrs. Liston Darby and children and Miss Wilson, of Roseburg, were at the Frank Solomon place Monday to pick berries. The ladies are spending their vacation at the Elk Creek auto camp near Drain.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Braman removed from the Jensen house, south of Elkton, to the Methodist parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bender and family have moved to Hauser for the summer. Mr. and Mrs. George Binder moved some time ago. The men are working in the timber. Frank Doty is looking after the George Binder ranch at Elkton.

Mr. and rMs. Carl Braman recently made a trip to Prineville to visit the parents of Mrs. Braman.

Mrs. J. J. Sawyers and Mrs. William Binder and son, William Wayne, were Eugene visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Marietta Haines, Miss Iris Haines and Mrs. Barbara Tarnowski were Cottage Grove visitors recently.

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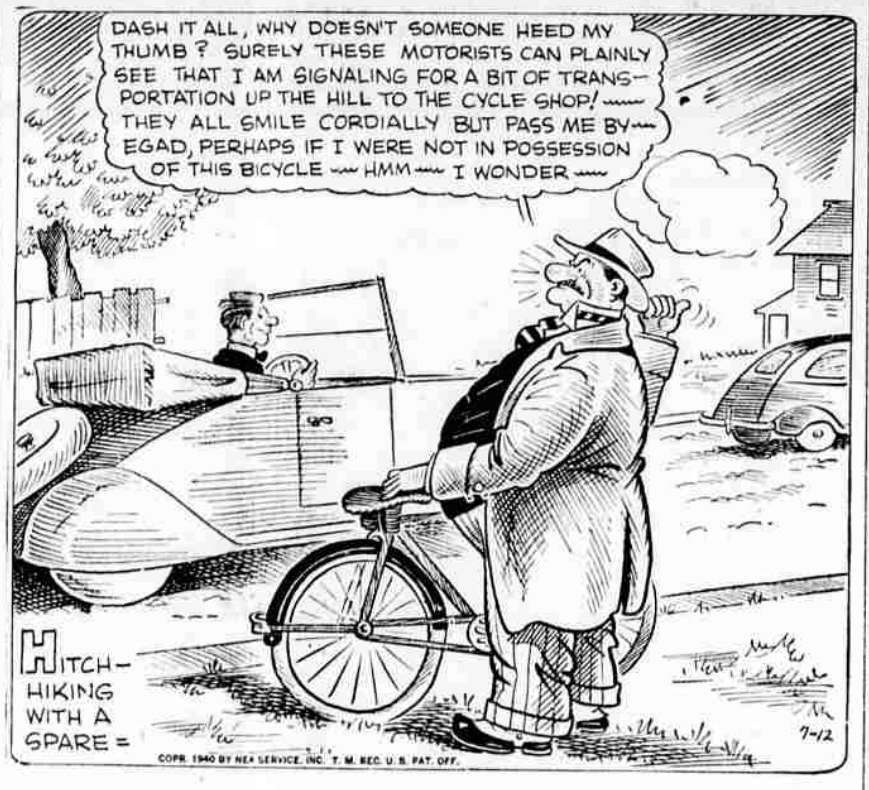

Daily Air Raid Costs Germans Ten Planes

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front and considered imposing a "scientific diet" on the island kingdom's densely-packed millions to save on food supplies.

One plan called for taking over fields which farmers were failing to make yield the last possible ounce of foodstuffs.

ITALIANS, BRITISH CLAIM SUCCESS IN FIGHTING

By the Associated Press

The Italian high command today reported fascist air successes in a new attack on the British Mediterranean fleet.

Italian planes again located and bombed the British naval squadron which engaged in the Ionian sea battle earlier this week, the high command said, setting an aircraft carrier aflame and seriously damaging two destroyers.

The Italian communique, injecting a dash of drama into the usually prosaic official accounts, said that the battle raged for several hours, near Malta, and that "our squadrons descended through mist and violent anti-aircraft fire" to within a few hundred yards of the British surface ships.

This Italian account brought a quick retort from official British quarters in London, which declared:

"Wild claims made in the Italian communique today regarding attacks on the British fleet in the eastern Mediterranean are untrue."

They added that Italian bombers attacked eight times but the only damage was that "one of our fighters became unserviceable after landing."

Ethiopians Aid British

British and Italian "flying columns" of mechanized troops raided each other's outposts in the heat-baked desert regions of Italian Libya, Eevpt and British-owned Kenya colony.

The African rooftop kingdom of Emperor Haile Selassie, the fugitive "Lion of Judah" who lost his throne to Italian conquest in 1935-36, also appeared likely to play a forthcoming major role in struggle.

The British government officially recognized Selassie's government as "the lawful government of Ethiopia," and admitted it "to the full status of ally in the present war, with assurances that Ethiopia's independence will be assured when the war is won."

The emperor's army, unofficially reported to number 200,000 native fighters, will be coordinated with British forces to assail Italy's armies in north and east Africa and in Ethiopia, it was announced in the house of commons.

British Post Besieged

From Nairobi, Kenya colony, came word that British troops have held out against a fierce three-day assault by large Italian forces at Moyale, fortified post on the Kenya-Ethiopia frontier.

Since the attack started at dawn Wednesday, more than a thousand shells have dropped into the British post while small-arms fire rattled from every side of the fort day and night. British reinforcements were reported en route to lift the siege.

In another action, British mechanized columns harried Italian troops cut off in two forts, Capuzzo and Maddelana, on the Italian Libya-Egyptian border. A pipe line supplying water to the forts from the coast was reported cut.

The Italian high command said fascist bombers and [illegible] wrought havoc on British [illegible] along the Libyan-Egyptian [illegible], destroying tanks and armored cars, firing barracks and [illegible], and bombing airfields in British Somaliland and Kenya.

Third French Republic Passes Into Discard

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Italy and Germany."

A proposed new constitution will be submitted to a referendum.

Presumably all Frenchmen even in German occupied areas will be asked to vote under the plan, but that apparently depended on Germany's decision.

What Petain and his advisers can make of their new France appeared to depend on how much support Berlin was willing to give.

Net Fishermen Scheme to Grab Winter Steelhead

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worth said, "that there is so much natural food in the Umpqua river that sports fishermen have great difficulty in getting fish to rise to surface lures. What we need is more fish in the stream to dispose of surplus food so that fish will rise to flies. Now there is so much feed on the bottom that sports fishing is badly handicapped."

Mr. Ellsworth declared that the Roseburg Rod and Gun club will wage a vigorous fight against any attempt to extend the commercial season as suggested in the proposal from Reedsport.

New Seasons Proposed

The Reedsport interests propose seasons for commercial fishing as follows:

Open (for winter steelhead), January 1 to February 15.

Closed to commercial fishing of all kinds, February 15 to March 10.

Open (for spring chinook), March 10 to April 15.

Closed, April 15 to May 1.

Open (for shad fishing), May 1 to June 30.

Closed, July 1 to August 10.

Open (for silverside salmon), August 10 to November 15.

Closed, November 15 to January 1.

Closed Period Boosts Runs

In statements issued to the press, reporting action of the "Umpqua Valley Rod and Gun club," it was stated that "the anglers requested an open season for winter steelhead for the reason that they are convinced that the closed season for the last several years is responsible for the enormous increase in this run of fish, with the result that the winter steelhead, which enter the river in January and February, go upstream to spawn and then work back to the ocean the next spring, have depleted the coastal streams, particularly the Umpqua and Smith rivers, of the food ordinarily available for trout—and possibly have also been responsible for the destruction of many trout eggs and trout fry.

It was pointed out by Mr. Ellsworth, that the dates proposed for commercial fishing, would add approximately 30 days to the net season, which now extends from April 20 to November 15. At the same time the season would permit the taking of practically all winter steelheads, greatly reduce the escapement of chinook salmon and in average years would permit the commercial fishermen to take a great part of the summer steelhead run.

National Guard May Be Mobilized for Training

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were received, meanwhile by the war department.

The assurances were contained in a letter to Secretary Stimson from Brigadier General Walter A. DeLamater, president of the National Guard association, and Brigadier General Charles H. Grahl, president of the Adjutants General association.

Marshall told the committee that the present method of training guardsmen a few hours each week was "wasteful and long-drawn out."

"I must express myself very carefully here," the general said slowly, "but there are a number of aspects of the regular army that are wasteful at the present time that we cannot correct."

Present Pay Endorsed

In response to an inquiry by Senator Downey (D., Calif.), Marshall said he thought the present initial rate of pay for an enlisted man—$21 a month—was approximately correct.

He added that if an attempt were made to maintain an army on a basis of too-high pay along with a conscription program the load would be too much for the government to bear in time of peace" and a "reaction" would set in, causing a reduction in the peace-time strength such as followed the world war.

Big Army Envisioned

A war department official told the committee today that the army would have 930,000 men in training by October 1 if congress enacted a compulsory military training bill.

Col. H. L. Twaddle, the department's training expert, testified that this number would increase to 1,415,000 by April of next year. He estimated the cost of the training program at $1,000,000,000 the first year and about $750,000,000 for each succeeding year.

Col. Twaddle said his figure for the total force which could be under training by October 1 was composed of 300,000 in the regular army, 230,000 in the guard and 400,000 conscripts.

By next April, Colonel Twaddle said the regular army would be increased to 375,000 men, the national guard to 240,000, and 400,000 new trainees would be brought in above the original 400,000. This would bring total strength to 1,415,000.

To Protect Pacific

Meanwhile the navy department today awarded contracts totaling $136,743,900 as a part of the vast program to build up the nation's Pacific and Atlantic defenses.

To help bolster western defenses, contracts totaling $30,870,000 were let for aviation facilities in the Pacific including Pearl harbor and the nation's other island possessions.

A formidable army striking force of some 6,000 tanks—several hundred of them huge land battleships—was disclosed today as one major objective in President Roosevelt's new $4,848,171,957 preparedness program.

Persons familiar with the plans behind the dollar marks said that the intention was to double the total of 3,100 tanks which now are either in service, on order, or covered by appropriation.

Only Germany, they said, possesses a tank force of such potential striking power, according to available information. The projected American equipment, they explained, would include squadrons rivaling the 70-ton tanks which spearheaded victorious nazi thrusts in Europe.

Signs multiplied, meanwhile, that the war department was thinking in terms of an army of 1,200,000 troops—the bulk of it to be raised within the next few months by compulsory military training.

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Hatfield Held Blameless in Keith Death Inquest

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Moar, W. H. Carter and C. W. Clark, that he left the Keith mill with a truckload of lumber early Wednesday morning. He was accompanied he said by Spriggs, Marshall Webster and Keith and that the latter carried a half-gallon jug of wine. Another jug of wine was purchased en route to Oakland where the lumber was unloaded, Hatfield said.

The parties returned to Sutherlin and stopped at Okey's cafe.

"Spriggs and Keith got to arguing which was the better man," Hatfield said, "and they began scuffling. Mr. Real, who runs Okey's cafe, ordered them to get out of his place of business and they went out behind the Sutherlin hotel building. Keith got the worst of the wrestling match and then he got mad. He said he was going to fire the whole crew. I stepped up and asked him if he meant me, too. He called me a name I couldn't stand and I struck him in the face and he fell to the ground."

Intoxication Admitted.

Hatfield said that he and Keith were both intoxicated.

It was related that Keith was then taken by automobile to his home, and at the direction of his wife was placed on the front porch, in the belief that he had "passed out" as the result of liquor. He was left alone, it was stated, for a period of about four hours. It was then suggested that a doctor should be called to sew up a cut on his lip and Dr. Dunlap was taken to the Keith home.

Dr. Dunlap, physician at Sutherlin, testified that Keith was still breathing upon his arrival, but died within a few minutes.

The coroner's jury, after hearing the testimony as presented under questioning by District Attorney J. V. Long, returned a verdict finding that Keith's death was due to "concussion" but that Hatfield should "not be held as guilty of a crime."

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